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TITLE OF INVENTION **LOOSE-LAY FLOOR TILE WHICH HAS A NONSKID BACKING MATERIAL
USING A PVC-BASED RAW MATERIAL**

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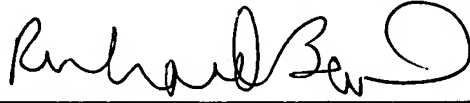
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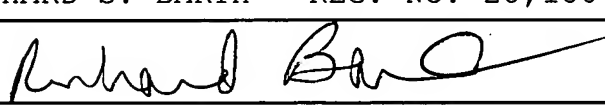
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